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This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Serial No. 10/338,934 filed on January 7, 2003 which claims benefit of provisional application 60/346,788 filed on

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Also enclosed are five references which are additional prior art references submitted for review, including three foreign patents: PCT WO 98/58598; PCT WO 00/06027; and one article: Jay N. Cohn M.D., The Management of Chronic Heart Failure, The New England Journal of Medicine, Vol. 335, No. 7, pp. 490-498, August 15, 1996. The reference PCT WO 00/06027 is in the German language and no written English-language translation of this reference currently is within the possession custody or control of, or readily available to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c).

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